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MARYLAND GAZETTE,

Containing the freſheſt Advices foreign and domeſtic.

THURSDAY, *February* 8, 1753.

PARIS, *September* 4.

LETTERS from Madrid of the 29th ult. ſay, that his Catholic Majeſty has reſolved to ſend a ſtrong Squadron to America, to ſupport his Guarda Coſta's in the Execution of their Orders for preventing every Kind of contraband Trade. Which Reſolution, they tell us, he has taken upon Advice that the Britiſh Court intends to ſend a Squadron to the Weſt-Indies, to protect the Commerce and Navigation of the Engliſh; and we can tell them, that if both theſe Reſolutions be carried into Execution, the Fate of the Spaniſh Squadron may be eaſily foretold.

Ratiſbon, Sept. 3. The Court of Vienna, among other Reaſons for refuſing to ſatisfy the Pretenſions of the Elector Palatine, has principally inſiſted upon the following: That after the Death of Charles VI. the Elector having openly declared againſt the Pragmatic Sanction, which he had guarantied, the Damage that happened to him from the Auſtrian Troops, in Conſequence of that Declaration, ought to be looked on as the common Fate of War. Thus the Imperial Court has probably ſaved us 20,000 l.

Madrid, September 15. The Court has received Information within theſe two Days, by a particular Expreſs, that the Regiſter Ship, called the Neptune, arrived on the 11th Inſtant in the Bay of Cadiz, in her Paſſage from Vera Cruz, from whence ſhe ſet ſail about the Middle of June laſt.

The Cargo of that Veſſel conſiſted in One Million 268 Thouſand and 39 Piaſtres in Gold; that is to ſay, 382 Thouſand 141 on Account, and for the Uſe of his Catholic Majeſty; and the Remainder for the Uſe and on the Account of our moſt ſubſtantial Merchants; 258 Arobs of Anniſeed, 80 Serons of Cochineal, 2343 Arobs of Sugar; 252 Bales of Jallap; 30 Serons of Indigo; beſides a large Quantity of other Merchandizes of different Kinds, of great Value, all of the Produce of that Country.

Hague, October 2. We now promiſe ourſelves ſome Determination of ſeveral important Articles, which lay dormant during the Governante's Abſence; and theſe are no leſs than nine; viz. the Incorporation of the Regiments; the exact Payment of the Agents, that they may be more regular in their Payments, and prevented from deducting 10, 12, or more per Cent. for advancing Money to Officers; the proviſional Tutelage, in Caſe of the Stadtholder's Death, the Preſidentſhip of which the Mother of the late Prince has in her Eye; the Nomination of the Stadtholder's Governor; the Regulation in the Payment of the Contingents of the ſeveral Provinces into the general Cheſt; an Alteration in the Levy of the Taxes, which ſince the Aboliſhment of the former, becomes daily more grievous to the Subject; the Re eſtabliſhment of the Navy, about which the Admiralties attend with great Expences to the Public, and without an Augmentation of the Appointments of our Miniſters abroad.

October 14. Letters from Madrid adviſe, that Mr. Keene has made Repreſentations to the Spaniſh Miniſtry about their augmenting their Naval Forces in America; but they don't tell us what Anſwer his Excellency received. The ſame Letters inform us, that it is not at Alicant only, but in almoſt all the Ports of Spain, that the Importation of foreign printed Linnens is prohibited. They alſo tell us that the Woollen Manufactures are greatly improved, which is chiefly owing to the great Number of foreign Artificers who come to them in Spight of all the Precautions taken and penal Laws made by certain Governments to prevent it; the Spaniards giving them Salaries, and other Advantages, greater than they could get at Home.

LONDON.

September 2. We hear, that as ſoon as the Vacation is over, a very ſtrict Enquiry will be made, by proper Authority, into thoſe Places of private Cuſtody ſtiled Madhouſes; as the Public is extremely alarmed on Account of ſome very odd Stories which are current: And indeed, conſidering that no Perſon can be committed upon Suſpicion, however ſtrong, of the moſt atrocious Crime, but by a proper Authority, and to a legal Priſon; it ſeems very irreconcileable to the Principles of our Conſtitution, that private People ſhould be allowed to ſend their Relations to ſuch Places, where they are always confined, and often tortured (by ſtrait Waiſtcoats, and other Inventions) without any Proceſs, and even without the Privity of the Magiſtracy; and notwithſtanding alſo, that in this, as in all other Caſes, where the Welfare of Society requires it, the Law has preſcribed the proper Method; and this Method is equally rational and juſt.

Among the many Barbarities related of the private Madhouſes, the following may be depended on as Matter of Fact, being related by a Gentleman of great Honour and Veracity.

A Lady, who reſided altogether in the Country, had a Legacy of 1500 *l.* left her by a Relation; the Monſter who was to pay it did not pretend to diſpute the Legality of it, or the Want of Effects to pay it, but civilly invited her to London to receive it; upon which ſhe came up, and was appointed to meet him at a private Madhouſe, but a little way out of Town, where ſhe was told the Gentleman was not yet come, and was ſhewn into the Parlour, where ſhe ſtaid with Impatience, 'til Night coming on, when ſhe concluding he would not come, called for the Coach ſhe came in, but was anſwered the Coach was diſcharged; and upon her expreſſing a good deal of Surprize at ſuch Treatment, the Maſter aſked her if ſhe knew where ſhe was, and upon her replying ſhe did not, he told her ſhe was in a Madhouſe, and immediately ſet his Myrmidons to ſeize and ſhave her, which they did; and it was no leſs than ſeven, if not nine Years, before ſhe got out of their helliſh Clutches.——And we have been informed by a Perſon, who lived many Years in a private Madhouſe, that half the People there were no more mad than the reſt of Mankind; and were put in by thoſe who wanted to get Poſſeſſion of their Eſtates.——So great an Evil calls loudly for the Interpoſition of the Legiſlature, as no Perſon is ſafe whilſt they are allowed of in their preſent Shape.

Extract of a Letter from Collin (in Germany), dated Auguſt 30.

"Three Days ago, the Troops encamped in our Neighbourhood performed a grand Exerciſe; the Deſign of which was to repreſent an innocent Appearance of a grand Attack, which might exhibit to the Spectators the Skill and Addreſs of the Troops in one of the principal Operations of War. But very unfortunately they acted their Part with a little too much Ardour, and inſtead of the Scene of an Attack it prov'd a real one. The two Regiments of Hildburghauſen and Haller were poſted very advantageouſly on a riſing Ground, of which the Regiments of the Archduke Charles, of Neipperg, Wolfenbuttle, Botta, Gaiſrugg, and Sincer, were ordered to diſpoſſeſs them.

This they executed with a very high Proportion of Heat, and not without an Intermixture of Malice; for, in marching to the Attack, ſome of the Soldiers pick'd up little Stones, others clapped in a Handful of Gravel, and many pulled of their Buttons, and put them into their Pieces, by which, upon the firſt Diſcharge, there were a great many killed. This induced the other two Regiments, or rather forced them, to act in the ſame Manner; ſo that the Diſpute became ſerious and obſtinate, in ſpite of all that the Generals could do to part them, which could not be accompliſhed 'til a heavy Shower of Rain, and the coming on of Night, obliged them to deſiſt. A Captain of the Regiment of Neipperg was killed, ſeveral other Officers wounded, and, as yet, we have no diſtinct Account of the Loſs amongſt the private Men.

Laſt Night an Accident happened at a Gentleman's Houſe in Bur ſtreet, St. James's, ſuppoſed to be done by ſome frolickſome Sparks, who had tied a Cat by the Tail to the Knocker of the Door, and knocking at the Door, the Maid Servant opened it, when the Cat flew at her and ſeiz'd her; which ſo frightened the Maid, that ſhe fell into Convulſion Fits, and was obliged to be carried to the Hoſpital; and no Senſe appearing, there are little Hopes of her Recovery.

NEW-YORK, *January* 22.

Laſt Thurſday Evening an Expreſs arrived here in four Days from Boſton, *by whom we have a Print of the* 11th *Inſtant; from which we have taken the following freſh Advices from the* London *and* Gentleman's MAGAZINES, *for the Month of* October *laſt, and other public Prints brought there by Capt.* Bradford, *in about eight Weeks from* London.

HANOVER, *October* 4.

HIS Britannic Majeſty continues indefatigable in his Purſuit of State Affairs; and 'tis not in the leaſt doubted, but that before his Departure for England, moſt of the important Concerns, which induced him to viſit theſe Dominions this Year, will be ſettled on a very ſure and ſolid Foundation.

Liſbon, Sept. 22. The Court has received the agreeable News, that our ſmall Squadron, who had been cruizing above Gibraltar, had met with four Algerine Corſairs, and after a very reſolute Engagement, had taken two of them, in which there were 48 Pieces of Braſs Cannon, and 100 Men were made Captives.

Liſbon, Sept. 27. The Governor of Sernambuc has lately informed our Court, that three new Mines had been diſcovered in the Brazils; that two of them were Gold, and the other Silver; and that in the laſt there were a great Quantity of Diamonds; and that the Perſons employed in making their Searches into thoſe hidden Treaſures, met with as much, or more, Succeſs than they expected.

Rome, October 7. Our Eccleſiaſtical State has lately been alarmed with more Shocks of an Earthquake than uſual; and in the Night between the 26th and 27th of September, a fatal one was felt at Veletri, which reduced ſeveral Houſes in an Inſtant to Ruins, and terrified the Inhabitants to ſuch a Degree, that they expected every Moment to be inevitably loſt.

RUSSIA.

The clement Empreſs has lately aboliſh'd the ſevere Puniſhment of the Knout. A Courier arrived from Cazan, brought Advice, that a dreadful Fire on the 15th, had almoſt totally deſtroyed that City, and another Fire has alſo happened at Moſcow.

FRANCE.

The Ducheſs of Parma is arrived at this Court. Twelve Hundred Men will ſoon be embark'd for the Eaſt Indies, and 400 Men will alſo be ſent to build Forts at ſeveral of our Settlements.

SPAIN.

There are 38 Men of War now building in the Ports of this Kingdom; 16 of which are to mount 34 Guns, 12 of 40, 6 of 52, and 4 of 70. Mr. Keene has made Repreſentations to our Court, in Relation to the augmenting the Number of our Men of War in America.

His Majeſty has augmented the Salaries of the Engliſh Workmen employed in his Yards, in order to increaſe their Diligence: We have in all 300 Foreigners at work in thoſe Places, above Half of whom are Engliſh and Iriſh, and our Marine is on ſo good a Footing, that when the Ships on the Stocks are finiſhed, we ſhall have a Fleet of 98 Veſſels, great and ſmall.

The principal Ship Builder of the King of Spain at Ferrol, is Mr. Ruth, formerly a Boat Builder at Rotherhith. He was bred a Papiſt, and as he was not ſkill'd in Drawing, he decoyed one of the beſt

beſt Draughtſmen from Woolwich Yard. He firſt built two Ships of 60 or 70 Guns, which were ſo approved of, that his Catholic Majeſty created him a Don, and allowed him a Penſion of 500 l. per Annum, Sterling, beſides conſiderable Perquiſites.

Warſaw (in Poland), October 16. The laſt Advices from the Ukraine bring, that the Heyda macks had made a freſh Irruption into that Province, and had plunder'd and ſet fire to ſeveral Villages.

Leghorn, October 11. The Maſter of a Ship arrived from Tunis reports, that all the Corſairs of that State had received Orders to put to Sea forthwith, and that ſeven or eight of thoſe Pyrates were already ſailed; which News has greatly alarmed the trading Nations who have no Treaties ſubſiſting with that Regency. The old Dey has paid the Troops that abandoned his rebellious Son, who is ſtill at Conſtantine, where the Dey of Algiers, under Colour of doing him Honour, has aſſign'd him a Guard, who keep him and his ſmall Retinue Priſoners.

LONDON.

November 9. It is confirmed that General Wall, the Spaniſh Ambaſſador, who is on his Return to London, is charged with the neceſſary Inſtructions for concluding a new Convention with the Britiſh Court, relating to the Navigation of the Engliſh in the Weſt Indian Seas: It is alſo ſaid, that his Catholic Majeſty has ſent poſitive Orders to the Governor of the Havanna, to pay out of the Royal Treaſury the Sums agreed upon as an Indemnification for the Engliſh Ships illegally taken by the Guarda Coſtas in America; and that the Spaniſh Governors in that Part of the World, have been charged to be more careful for the future to prevent the like Cauſes of Complaint.

November 10. As his Majeſty propoſed to ſet out from Hanover on Wedneſday laſt, and to reach Helvoetſluys by Sunday next; if the Wind proves fair, he will be at St. James's about Wedneſday.

Whitehall, October 28. We have received an Account from Liſbon, that on the 19th of September laſt, the Parnambucco Fleet, with 18 Merchant Ships, and one Man of War of 50 Guns, arrived at that Port. A Lieutenant and eight French Mariners, came as Paſſengers on board this Fleet, being the only Perſons who had been ſaved out of a French Eaſt-India Ship of 60 Guns, and 350 Men, which left Port l'Orient in April laſt, and was bound to Pondicherry; but having unhappily taken Fire about 100 Leagues from the Coaſt of Brazil, the whole Crew periſhed, except thoſe eight Men, who eſcaped in a ſmall Boat. There were ſeveral Perſons of Diſtinction on board, particularly M. de la Touche, who commanded at the Siege of Pondicherry; and there were likewiſe magnificent Preſents for the Nabobs and chief People of the Country, and about 3,000,000 of Livres in Specie, and 600 Barrels of Powder.

BOSTON.

January 1. A few Days ago, near Falmouth, at the Eaſtward, there fell a Shower of Rain which turned into Ice, or congeal'd, as faſt as it fell; many Flocks of Wildgeeſe flying towards the Eaſtward at that Time, had their Wings frozen at full Length immediately, and fell down as if ſhot, and were gathered by the Inhabitants to the Number of Fifty: Some fell on the Land, others into the Sea; and were eaſily taken, as they could make no Defence. 'Tis ſuppoſed a vaſtly greater Number ſhared the ſame Fate, by falling among the Woods at a Diſtance from the Inhabitants.

January 11. We learn by Capt. Bradford, that his Majeſty was ſafely arrived in England, from his German Dominions, and landed at Graveſend the 19th of November laſt.

NEW-YORK, *January* 9.

Capt. Ramſay, who arrived here laſt Friday in 40 Days from the Bay, informs us, That he on the 11th Day of laſt Month, in Lat. 25, coming thro' the Gulf, ſell in with the Wreck of a Ship full of Water, her Mizen Maſt only ſtanding, and both Anchors out; but neither Man nor Boat on board: By ſome Papers he found on board of her, it appears, ſhe was called the Alexander, Robert Moody, Maſter, of New London, and was bound from Jamaica for London. Her Loading, Rum, Sugar, and Logwood. Capt. Ramſay believes ſhe muſt have ſunk ſoon after he left her.

ANNAPOLIS.

On Friday laſt, his Honour our Preſident, in Council, was pleaſed to iſſue his Proclamation, for further proroguing the General Aſſembly of this Province to the 22d Day of *May* next.

By a Letter from *London* we are inform'd of the Arrival of the Captains *Hall* and *Wales* from this Province.

To be Sold by Public Vendue,

At Lower-Marlborough, *in* Calvert *County, on Tueſday the Third Day of* April *next, for Sterling, or Current Money, with Time allowed for Payment, on giving Security, if required,*

THE Dwelling-Houſe and Lot belonging to Mr. *John Wardrop*, of that Town, Merchant, as he is determined to leave the Province the enſuing Summer: There are ſeveral Out-Houſes and Improvements upon it. Alſo all his Houſhold Furniture, conſiſting of Beds and Bedding, Tables, Chairs, Looking Glaſſes, and Variety of Kitchen Furniture. Likewiſe a Parcel of very likely NEGROES, Men and Women: And ſome Cattle.

Alſo a very convenient large Store Houſe, where Mr. *John Moffatt* now keeps Store.

The Premiſes may be view'd at any Time before the Sale.

And all Perſons who have any Claims on the ſaid Mr. *Wardrop*, either on his own private Account, or in Partnerſhip with *Charles Grahame*, are deſired to bring in their Accounts that they may be ſettled: And thoſe who are indebted to him on his private Account, or in the Partnerſhip, are required to make ſpeedy Payment, to ſave Trouble to others, and Expence to themſelves.

To be Sold by Public Vendue,

On Thurſday the 22d of this Inſtant February, *in* ANNAPOLIS, *at the Houſe of the late Mr.* Thomas King,

SEVERAL good Shoemakers, with their Tools. Likewiſe Boots, Shoes, *&c.* of all Sorts, *Engliſh* Ben Leather, and Country Leather.

Alſo a Parcel of Houſhold Furniture, conſiſting of Beds and Bedding, Chairs and Tables, Looking Glaſſes, a Clock, *&c. &c.* for ready Money.

Rachel King, Adminiſtratrix.

WHEREAS there is a Vacancy for a Maſter in *Queen Anne's* County School: Any Perſon profeſſing himſelf a Member of the Church of *England*, and capable of teaching Grammar, Mathematics, Arithmetic, and good Writing, applying to the Viſitors of ſaid School, will meet with as much Encouragement as the Law relating to Free Schools will ſupport them in.

Signed per *Order*,

Nathan Wright, Reg.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *John Macklain*, in *Baltimore* County, taken up as a Stray, a middle-ſiz'd Grey Horſe, about 5 Years old, branded on the near Buttock with ſomething not perfect, with a long Tail. *(Whether the* LONG TAIL *be meant to the Brand, or the Horſe, we cannot ſay: It were to be wiſh'd that People would better deſcribe Strays than they ſome Times do.)*

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

THERE is at the Plantation of Mr. *John Sellman*, near the Head of *South* River, five Creatures, taken up as Strays; one is a Brindle Cow with ſome white Spots about her; another a Pied Steer, about 4 Years old; mark'd in the right Ear with a Slit, and half the under Side of the Slit cropp'd off, and in the left Ear a Crop. The other three are Heifers mark'd with two Crops and two under Keels.

The Owners may have them again, on proving their Property, and paying Charges.

THERE is at the Plantation of Mr. *John Phelps*, in *Anne Arundel* County and has been ever ſince *Auguſt* laſt, a Pied black and white Steer, about two Years old, has a Crop in the right Ear, and a Hole in the left.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

For PORTSMOUTH,

And from thence to

ROTTERDAM, directly,

The Ship FRIENDSHIP,

JOHN RATTRAY,

Commander,

WILL ſail in 10 Days at fartheſt. Any Perſons inclinable to take their Paſſage to either of the above Places, may apply to *Alexander Lawſon*, at the *Nottingham* Iron Works, *James Johnſon*, at *Annapolis*, or ſaid Commander on board the Ship, lying at *Benedict-Town*, on *Patuxent* River.

N. B. German Paſſengers for *Rotterdam*, will have their Paſſage cheap.

For LONDON,

The Ship FORREST,

Patrick Ouchterlony,

Commander,

Now lying in Patuxent,

WILL ſail by the Firſt of *March* next, at fartheſt. For Freight or Paſſage, apply to Mr. *James Wardrop*, or ſaid Commander on board. She takes in Tobacco at Seven Pounds Sterling *per* Ton, with Liberty of Conſignment to any Merchant in *London*.

ALL Perſons having any Claims on the Eſtate of Mr. *Thomas King*, late of *Annapolis*, deceaſed, are deſired to bring in their Accounts, that they may be ſettled: And thoſe who are any Ways indebted to the ſaid Eſtate, are requeſted to pay off their reſpective Debts in a ſhort Time, or they muſt expect Trouble; for the Subſcriber intends in the Spring to remove from the Town.

Rachel King, Adminiſtratrix.

TO BE SOLD,

THE following Tracts of Land, lying in *Charles* County, formerly the Property of the *Wynnes*; *viz.*

Sympſon's Delight, containing	300	Acres.
Weaſell	200	
London	100	
Blockſtitch	100	

Theſe lie within half a Mile of *Port Tobacco*.

Alſo, *Clower Point*, at *Nanjemoy*, containing 206 Acres.

Pithy, containing 200 Acres, at the Fording Place on *Mattawoman*, as you go from *Piſcataway* to *Port Tobacco*.

Borton, containing	30	Acres.
Stedman's Adventure	37	
Suſquehanna	37	

Theſe three laſt lie on the Head of *Wiccocomico*; and all the Right and Title to ſeveral Tracts not here mentioned, which belonged to the *Wynnes*: For Title and Terms, apply to

David Roſs.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jonathan Forward*, of *London*, Merchant, is poſſeſſed of one Eighth Part of the *Patuxent* Iron-Works; but being advanced in Years, and deſirous to decline all Buſineſs, is willing to diſpoſe of it. Any Gentleman inclinable to purchaſe may know the Terms, by applying to

William Lux, of *Baltimore*, Attorney in Fact to Mr *Forward*.

To be Sold by the ſaid *Lux*, a new SLOOP, that will carry 18 Hogſheads of Tobacco, deck'd, well rigg'd, and an excellent Sailer. Alſo a Sailmaker, who has four Years to ſerve, and underſtands his Buſineſs very well, having work'din the King's Yards.

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